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PROPAGATION: Jul 2, Above Normal; Jul 3, High Normal; Jul 4, Above Normal; Jul 6, High/Low Normal; Jul 7, Low Normal; Jul 8, High Normal; Jul 9, Low Normal; Jul 10, Disturbed; Jul 11, Low Normal; Jul 12, 13, High Normal. TNX N4XX.

1A0KM at the Sovereign Military Order of Malta in Italy will be on the weekend of Jul 9/10, which is also the weekend of the IARU Radiosport Contest. I0MGM, I0IJ, and others will be setting the station up the weekend of Jul 2/3, and may operate briefly on those days. Operation will be mostly SSB although they will try to honor requests for CW contacts.

The July issue of *Mother Jones* magazine had an investigative article on CIA/Vatican connections; here's what they had to say about the "Knights of Malta": "The American section of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta has about 1,000 members... they represent the vanguard of American Catholicism, the point at which the Vatican and the U.S. ruling elite intersect... they are more than the Catholic aristocracy...they can pick up a telephone and chat with the Pope." American SMOMers include Lee Iacocca, William Simon, Clare Booth Luce, and both William Buckley Jr. and his brother James. *Mother Jones* claims the American section of SMOM "is one of the main channels of communication between the CIA and the Vatican."

KERMADEC: ZK1CG has been heard to say that ZL3AFH (ZK1WL) will operate from Kermadec in September. Let us be hopeful. Incidentally, ZK1CG's slide show of both S. and North Cooks, is now making the rounds of Stateside club meetings and reports on it are highly favorable.

31st ANNUAL NORTHWEST DX CONVENTION in Seattle Jul 29-31 will feature Hugh Cassidy as banquet speaker. Get a registration package from Ruth Bennett, WB7RVA, 6729 Beach Drive SW, Seattle WA 98116.

MALPELO: the Colombian Minister of Communications has now granted permission for the operation, with a starting date of Oct 12. The Colombian Navy has agreed to provide a ship, which will depart Buenaventura for the 38-hour trip to Malpelo. The duration of their stay is not known.

On a related note, Colombia has established a novice class license and lowered the minimum age for amateurs from 18 to 14.

SOUTH YEMEN: word continues to filter in, to the effect that J28AZ has, after many years of trying, secured permission for a 70 operation. Holland's DXPress mentions an eight-day operation starting August 24. Rumors circulating that the operation would not be allowed to work U.S. amateurs appear to have no foundation. However, as is standard practice in the Arab world, contacts with Israel will probably be verboten. And another rumor is that, perish the thought, split frequency operation will not be allowed.

August issue of *Playboy* magazine has an article by Danny Goodman on general-coverage shortwave receivers. What's more interesting than the article itself is the "teaser" in the index:

"Time was, short wave was for studious types who couldn't hold their beer. Now it may be the best way to keep your ear to the world."

AS IF JIM SMITH, VK9NS, doesn't already feel persecuted enough, *QST*'s "How's DX" column for July has a photo of Eric, SM0AGD, labeled as being VK9NS. Well, those things happen. Matter of fact, last week's issue of this very sheet reversed the two Cambodia photos. But we're certain you figured it out.

CLIPPERTON will be a reality at the end of 1983. We are sworn to secrecy as to the details, but we can say operators have been chosen and plans continue apace.

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MT ATHOS operation by six Greeks scheduled to have begun Jun 25 was cancelled; they could not get the necessary permission. They are talking about an SV9 operation in October, but we have nothing either pro or con Crete on that.

OSCAR 10 Satellite getting into the right attitude and the "kick motor" is expected to be fired July 4, with the transponder being turned on a couple weeks after that.

50.100 has been sounding like the low end of 20 Meters lately, with N-S propagation strong. VP2KBH and FGØHZW were the big attractions last week.

Stations in the Georgia R.F.S.F.R. will sign special calls from rare Oblasts 12-15 this month: EM6OAC Jul 5-24, and UF6DA/U60, EM6V, and EM6Q the entire month, for a 200th anniversary celebration of something.

1S1CK QSLs now being received for DU1CK's early May operation from Panata Cay; ARRL DXCC Desk has received no documentation yet.

YU2DX made 1223 QSOs from BY1PK during his May 18-25 operation, and says he might go back sometime. QSL those contacts made by YU2DX to him, not to China.

S2BTF was on a "list" operation Jun 25, but no reports since then. Some sources have Peter returning to the U.K. about now.

The 31st Annual W9DXCC Convention will be Sept 17 at the Itasca Ill Holiday Inn. Advance registration is recommended. Get details from H. Huntington, K9KM, 65 South Burr Oak Drive, Lake Zurich IL 60047.

ZL1AMO now says he just turned down a chance to go to Pitcairn this summer, as he's putting in much of his time (still) working on Kermadec permission.

Here's a breakdown of East German callsigns:

Repeaters: Y21A-Y29Z
 Individuals: Y21AA-Y29ZZ
 Contest stns: Y31A-Y39Z
 Clubs: Y31AA-Y39ZZ
 Beacons: Y41A-Y49Z
 Clubs: Y41AA-Y49ZZ, Y51AA-Y59ZZ,
 Y61AA-Y69ZZ, Y71AA-Y79ZZ

CANADA'sDOC has just granted landing permission for another VE1SPI St. Paul Island operation...Sept 23 to Oct 3. Eight operators will work 160 Meters through 432 MHz, and they hope for better worldwide propagation than they had during the last operation, in July 1982.

QSL INFO

YB5ASO is former YB5AES; QSL to W4BBP

KØLD needs help with XZ20M, Oct 1956

K4JRB needs leads on an A51 adr and a manager for XU1DX (1974)

9V1VP via K5YY ONLY May 15-17, 1983; other-

wise direct to Bob Furzer, #5 Jalan Harum, 1026 Singapore

WØAX is NOT manager for FRØFLO; QSL direct only

For LU3ZY, try via WA2VUY, with a large (5X7 in) SASE and a donation

W5XC looking for tips on: ZD8ZF (6/68),

ET3USA (5/64), KW6EM (9/67), 9G1FK (64)

VE7BD looking for help getting VS9AJS (67);

K4JRB suggests on VS9s to try G3RAF or RSGB Bureau

-----Advt.-----

W6GO/K6HHD QSL LIST available from PO Box 700, Rio Linda CA 95673; updated continuously, published monthly, QSL managers listed for over 5,000 DX Stations. US/VE/XE rates are \$15 for 12 issues, \$1.75 each. Overseas Airmail rates are \$25 for 12 issues, \$2.80 each.

COMMENT

IT MAY BE just a coincidence, but when our circulation peaked a couple of years ago, we were doing unofficial "equipment reviews." Many of you perceived that we were beholden to no one, and it showed in our comments.

We certainly didn't make any friends at Ten-Tec, Astro, Heath, and Yaesu! We found the TR-7 acceptable, the KWM-380 marvelous, the TS-830 a bargain, and the new single-lever Bencher paddle the answer to our prayers. If any of you are in a position to briefly loan TDXB any of the new rigs, please consider doing so. Thanks!

BANDPASS: Call/Frequency/UTC (plus West, Central, East Coast report)/Date

A22GM 14155 08C 25	ISØ0MH 14028 03E 19	TF3SV 14025 23E 19	4S7EA 14202 12C 21
A4XJO 14189 01C 24	JX5DW 14025 02E 25	TF5BG 14002 02E 25	4Z4UR 14220 04W 24
A71BJ 21280 15E 20	JY5HY 21315 23C 21	TJ1GH 21041 15E 25	5A1BQ 14027 21E 21
A92F 14176 03C 24	JY3ZH 14221 23E 24	TL8ER 14019 22C 20	?????
CEØZAD 21345 23W 20	J2ØWCY 14026 22E 19	TL8ER 21014 13E 23	5B4JE 21295 14E 23
CN2AQ 14154 05W 21	J73DF 21345 23W 20	TR8JLD 14009 00C 16	5H3DM 21292 18E 24
CO1BJ 14005 02E 23	KC6IN 14220 12C 25	T32AB 14163 06W 20	5N8ACY 21321 23E 22
CT2CR 14189 04W 23	KX6OD 14310 06W 19	UF6FCO 21035 14C 25	5V7CP 14026 23E 23
CT3DJ 14042 23E 19	KX6PO 14208 12C 19	UL7MG 21029 15E 25	5W1AB 14286 04W 24
CT3BM 21256 23E 24	KX6QC 14009 09E 22	VK9NC 14044 05C 19	5Z4DE 21295 18E 21
CT3DJ 21034 22E 26	KX6AJ 14214 06W 23	VK9NC 14020 06C 22	5Z4PR 14205 03W 22
C21RK 14212 13C 25	KH6LW/	VK9ND 14223 12C 23	5Z4CM 14189 12C 24
C3ØLAE 14026 23E 24	KH7 21333 01W 21	VK9ND 14220 11E 25	6W8JX 21029 21E 26
C53EY 21319 20W 20	KH6LW/	VQ9EA 21367 16W 25	7Q7LW 14211 03W 23
WA3UHK/	KH7 14207 11E 25	VS5GF 14186 13W 22	7X4MB 14014 22E 20
DU2 14027 13E 19	AH9AA 14310 05W 25	VS5HG 14227 14E 24	7X2HM 21284 23W 20
LA5NM/	KHØAC 14310 06W 19	VS6DO 14185 12C 18	7X2CI 14217 02C 22
EA6 21311 22W 20	KHØAC 14187 12C 20	VS6AY 14219 14W 23	7X2CQ 14197 03W 23
EA8BF 14013 04W 20	KHØAC 14227 14W 25	VU2GI 14007 00E 20	7X2CI 14216 03W 23
EA8VI 14006 09E 22	LXØWCY 21027 19E 18	VU2UGI 14157 01E 22	7X2LS 14188 00E 25
EA8AER 14023 23E 24	OD5ZF 21305 22E 21	XT2AW 21026 18E 18	8P6AU 7011 11E 25
EA8BS 14196 03W 24	OD5LF 21363 23E 24	YB5ASO 14021 10E 23	8Q7AV 14220 11E 18
EA9GK 14051 23E 19	OX5RM 14200 05W 12	YB5ASO 14038 11E 25	8R1Y 14025 23E 19
EA9KQ 14224 05W 23	OX5RM 14204 03W 25	ZB2EO 14037 23E 24	9H1GZ 14015 23E 20
EA9JE 14178 04W 24	PJ8II 14025 21E 24	ZB2EO 21014 21E 26	9H4B 14190 02W 21
EL2AD 14155 08C 25	(N8II NOT MGR)	ZC4BI 14024 03E 25	9H4B 14183 05W 23
FC8TT 21033 19E 18	PZ1DV 14037 10E 22	ZD9BZ 21335 18E 24	9J2BO 21032 19E 19
TO7GAS 14014 03E 19	PZ1DV 14022 21E 23	ZK1CG 14180 10E 25	9M2RD 14205 14W 23
(FG7)	PZ1AP 7004 10E 25	ZP5XDW 14024 03W 19	9V1SY 14225 14W 12
FK8EJ 14014 04E 20	PZ9AB 7008 10E 25	Z21AE 21303 17W 23	9V1VM 14225 13W 22
FK8CE 14014 07W 20	P29LB 21290 04W 21	Z23JS 14026 12E 24	9V1VM 14175 12C 23
FK8ET 14057 13W 24	P29QA 14212 11E 23	Z23JO 14027 13W 24	9V1SY 14320 14W 24
FM7WD 14017 02E 23	P29SO 14200 12C 23	3B8CF 14166 12E 18	
FO8GM 14039 04C 19	P29JP 14197 12W 24	3B8DA 14019 11E 22	Mail reports to
FO8GL 14017 08C 22	K4DY/	3B9FK 14207 04E 20	<u>reach</u> Vernon by
FR7BP 14027 12C 19	SV5 21025 19E 19	3B9FK 14027 03E 22	Wednesday, or phone:
FR7BP 14026 13W 22	K4DY/	3B9FK 14204 04W 24	
FRØFLO 14193 04W 22	SV5 14028 03W 20	3B9FK 14016 11E 25	203-871-7699.
FR7BP 14026 11C 24	K4DY/	3V8PS 14206 00E 22	
FGØDDV/	SV5 14027 00E 22	TS8WCY 14017 00E 22	Best contributor of
FS 7006 10E 25	S2BTF 14228 00E 25	(3V8)	information each month
GU3AAM 21032 19E 19	(list opn)	3X4EX 14221 23E 24	wins a free year of
HH2VP 7007 10E 22	S79WHW 21358 18C 26	4K1GDW 21013 16E 24	<u>TDXB</u> .
HLØB 14204 12C 23	S79WHW 14200 02C 27	(S. Shetlands)	
HV2VO 14248 06W 23	TA8BE 14216 00E 25	4K1GDW 21011 14C 25	
H44SH 7084 11C 19	TA8MSC 14216 00E 25	4S7WP 14040 01E 17	
H44IA 14260 13W 21	TA1UA 21017 21E 28	4S7WP 14040 02C 17	

CALENDAR

Bangladesh S2BTF may be gone now; I 197
 CHINA How to work it: I 193
 Chad DJ5RT/TT rumored on again soon
 Tuvalu T2 by GM4JAM soon; I 193
 Taiwan BV2B shows some Wednesdays, 14225/1500Z

Malagasy 5R8AL back, scarce; I 196
 S.M.O.M. 1A0KM second weekend of July; I 197
 Rodriguez 3B9FK staying until December
 Gambia C53CC by W4MGN NOW to Jul 9
 Cambodia JAs working on it; I 196

Madeira G4JMB/CT3 by VS6CT not heard yet
 Corsica F0CH/FC by HB9TL NOW to Jul 26
 Georgia USSR using special calls in Jul; I 197
 Fr St Martin FG0DDV/FS by NJDXA ends Jul 6; QSL W2QM
 St Maarten K2KTT/PJ7 Jul 5-12

St Pierre FP0 for Radiosport Jul 6-12; I 190
 Aland Is K8MFO/OH0 Jul 8-10; I 196
 Contest IARU Radiosport Jul 9/10
 Senegal 6W8JI by W4MGN Jul 9-11
 Mali TZ8DC by DJ2BW/DL8DC Jul 14-24

Burundi 9U5JM by W4MGN Jul 26-Aug 2
 Market Reef Jul 22-Aug 1; I 189
 Andorra C31YT by G8APZ Jul 16-24
 Convention NW DX, Seattle, Jul 29-31; I 197
 Contest WAE CW Aug 13/14

Contest All Asia CW Aug 27-28
 S Yemen Rumored by J28AZ starts Aug 24; I 197
 Contest WAE Phone Sep 10/11
 St Paul VE1SPI Sep 23-Oct 3
 Malpelo Starts Oct 12; I 197

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 W0VIP, KA7AJS, W4VQ, K1SA, G3ZAY,
 W9SC, I0MGM, KH6BZF, W3EKN,
 KA3R, N4NO, VK9NL, W1BL, K4BAI,
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